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Div. of Serial No. : 08/483,534 Group: TBA
Parent Filed : June 7, 1995 Examiner: TBA
For : ENDOTHELIAL MONOCYTE ACTIVATING POLYPEPTIDE III
Docket No. : 325800-588 (PF206D1)

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Sir:

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Application under 37 CFR 1.60, of pending prior application

Serial No. 08/483,534 filed on June 7, 1995

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for ENDOTHELIAL MONOCYTE ACTIVATING POLYPEPTIDE III
(Title)

1. X Enclosed is a copy of the prior application (38 pages of specification, three pages of claims, and a one-page abstract) including the oath or declaration as originally filed and an affidavit or declaration verifying it as a true copy.

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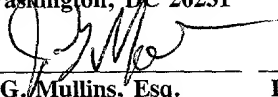
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3. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the above fee and any fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Account No. 03-0678. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
4. X A check in the amount of \$1326.00 is enclosed.
5. X Cancel in this application original claims 1-20 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee and insert new claims 21-56 from the preliminary amendment appended hereto.
6. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This is a Division of Application Serial No. 08/483,534 filed June 2, 1995.--
7. X Also appended are copies of the originally filed drawings (two sheets, Figures 1-2) as filed with the prior application.
8. X Three (3) sheets of new formal drawings (Figs. 1A-B and 2) as filed in the parent application are enclosed, accordingly please delete the original and insert the enclosed formal drawings (three sheets).
9. The certified copy has been filed in prior application Serial No. _____ filed _____.

10. X The prior application is assigned of record to
Human Genome Sciences, Inc.,
9620 Medical Center Drive, Rockville, Maryland 20850.
11. X The power of attorney in the prior application is to Elliot M. Olstein (Reg. No. 24,025 of Carella et al., 6 Becker Farm Road, Roseland, NJ 07068-1739.
- (a) X The Power appears in the original papers of the prior application.
- (b) Since the Power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- (c) X Address all future communication to:
Elliot M. Olstein at the above address.
12. A Preliminary Amendment will be filed at a later date.
13. X I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of the prior application Serial No. 08/483,534 as originally filed on June 7, 1995.
14. Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity is enclosed.

The undersigned declares further that any statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please enter the preliminary amendment below prior to examination of this divisional application.

AMENDMENT

In the Specification

Please amend the specification as follows to correct minor errors and to encompass a direct description of the sheets of formal drawings.

Page 3, prior to the phrase "The following drawings..." insert the following heading:

--Brief Description of the Drawings--.

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Page 3, line 31, delete "Figure 1 is" and insert --Figs. 1A and 1B collectively provide--.

Page 4, delete the first three lines and insert the following paragraph:

--Figure 2 is an amino acid sequence comparison between the polypeptide of EMAP II on the top line of each comparative row (SEQ ID NO:7) and the polypeptide of EMAP III according to present invention on the bottom line of each comparative row (SEQ ID NO:2).--

Page 4, line 9, delete the entire line and insert the following:

--as ATCC Deposit No. 97165 on May 26, 1995--.

Page 4, line 10, insert the following paragraph prior to the paragraph beginning with "The polynucleotide of this invention..."

--The ATCC numbers referred to above are directed to biological deposits with the ATCC, 12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, MD 20852. Since the strains referred to are being maintained under the terms of the Budapest Treaty, they will be made available to a patent office signatory to the Budapest Treaty.--

Page 5, lines 2, 19, 25, 29 and 35, each occurrence delete "Figure 1" and insert --Figs. 1A and 1B collectively--.

Page 7, line 10, delete "Figure 1" and insert --Figs. 1A and 1B collectively--.

Page 8, lines 7, 12 and 22, each occurrence delete "Figure 1" and insert "--Figs. 1A and 1B collectively--".

Page 27, line 21, change "ATCC # ____" to "--ATCC # 97165--".

Page 29, line 11, change "ATCC # ____" to "--ATCC # 97165--".

Page 32, line 22, change "ATCC # ____" to "--ATCC # 97165--".

Please delete the current Sequence Listing pages of the specification beginning at page 36 and insert in their place the appended hard copy Sequence Listing (pages 36-40), which is a duplicate hard copy of the last-filed Sequence Listing from the parent application. Please amend the pages following the Sequence Listing, if necessary, to accommodate the insertion of the Sequence Listing. Please insert the CFR Sequence Listing from the parent application and use it for the examination of this application.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-20 and insert the following claims:

21. An isolated polypeptide comprising:

a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence encoded by a polynucleotide having a coding polynucleotide which is at least 95% identical to a polynucleotide encoding the polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 168 of SEQ ID NO:2.

22. An isolated polypeptide comprising:

a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence which is at least 95% identical to an amino acid sequence of the polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 168 of SEQ ID NO:2.

23. The isolated polypeptide according to claim 21, wherein said isolated polypeptide comprises:

a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence encoded by a polynucleotide comprising a coding polynucleotide which is identical to a polynucleotide encoding the polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 307 of SEQ ID NO:2.

24. The isolated polypeptide according to claim 21, wherein said isolated polypeptide comprises a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence identical to amino acids 1 to 168 of SEQ ID NO:2.

25. The isolated polypeptide according to claim 22 wherein said polypeptide consists essentially of the amino acid sequence identical to amino acids 1 to 168 of SEQ ID NO:2.

26. The isolated polypeptide according to claim 21 wherein said coding polynucleotide comprises nucleotides 94 to 597 of SEQ ID NO:1.

27. The isolated polypeptide according to claim 23 wherein said coding polynucleotide comprises nucleotides 94 to 597 of SEQ ID NO:1.

28. The isolated polypeptide according to claim 23 wherein said coding polynucleotide comprises nucleotides 1 to 597 of SEQ ID NO:1.

29. An isolated polypeptide comprising:

a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence encoded by a polynucleotide which is at least 95% identical to the polypeptide coding portion of the human cDNA of ATCC Deposit No. 97132.

30. The isolated polypeptide of claim 29, comprising the mature polypeptide encoded by the human cDNA of ATCC Deposit No. 97132.

31. The isolated polypeptide of claim 29, consisting essentially of a polypeptide identical to the mature polypeptide encoded by the human cDNA of ATCC Deposit No. 97132.

32. A polypeptide produced by a method comprising the step of expressing said polypeptide from a recombinant cell containing a polynucleotide which comprises a coding polynucleotide sequence

which is at least 95% identical to a polynucleotide sequence encoding the polypeptide comprising amino acids 1 to 168 of SEQ ID NO:2.

33. A polypeptide according to claim 32, wherein said coding polynucleotide sequence comprises a polynucleotide sequence identical to the polynucleotide sequence encoding amino acids 1 to 168 of SEQ ID NO:2.

34. A polypeptide according to claim 32, wherein said coding polynucleotide sequence consists essentially of a polynucleotide sequence identical to the polynucleotide sequence encoding amino acids 1 to 168 of SEQ ID NO:2.

35. A polypeptide according to claim 32 wherein said coding polynucleotide sequence comprises nucleotides 94 to 597 of SEQ ID NO:1.

36. A polypeptide produced by a method comprising the step of expressing said polypeptide from a recombinant cell containing a polynucleotide which comprises a coding polynucleotide sequence which is at least 95% identical to the polypeptide coding portion of the human cDNA of ATCC Deposit No. 97132, which encodes a mature polypeptide.

37. A polypeptide according to claim 36, comprising the mature polypeptide encoded by the human cDNA of ATCC Deposit No. 97132.

38. A polypeptide according to claim 36, consisting essentially of the mature polypeptide encoded by the human cDNA of ATCC Deposit No. 97132.

39. A compound effective as an agonist for the polypeptide of claim 21.

40. A compound effective as an antagonist for the polypeptide of claim 21.

41. A method for the treatment of a patient having need of EMAP III comprising: administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of the polypeptide of claim 21.

42. The method of Claim 41 wherein said therapeutically effective amount of the polypeptide is administered by providing to the patient DNA encoding said polypeptide and expressing said polypeptide *in vivo*.

43. A method for the treatment of a patient having need of an agonist for a EMAP III polypeptide comprising: administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 39.

44. A method for the treatment of a patient having need to inhibit EMAP III comprising: administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of the antagonist of Claim 40.

45. A process for diagnosing a disease or a susceptibility to a disease related to expression of the polypeptide of claim 21 comprising:

determining a mutation in the nucleic acid sequence encoding said polypeptide.

46. A diagnostic process comprising:

analyzing for the presence of the polypeptide of claim 21 in a sample derived from a host.

47. A method for identifying compounds which bind to and activate or inhibit a receptor for the polypeptide of claim 21 comprising:

contacting a cell expressing on the surface thereof a receptor for the polypeptide, said receptor being associated with a second

component capable of providing a detectable signal in response to the binding of a compound to said receptor, with a compound to be screened under conditions to permit binding to the receptor; and

determining whether the compound binds to and activates or inhibits the receptor by detecting the presence or absence of a signal generated from the interaction of the compound with the receptor.

48. A compound effective as an agonist for the polypeptide of claim 29.

49. A compound effective as an antagonist for the polypeptide of claim 29.

50. A method for the treatment of a patient having need of hABH comprising: administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of the polypeptide of claim 29.

51. The method of Claim 50 wherein said therapeutically effective amount of the polypeptide is administered by providing to the patient DNA encoding said polypeptide and expressing said polypeptide *in vivo*.

52. A method for the treatment of a patient having need of an agonist for a EMAP III polypeptide comprising: administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 48.

53. A method for the treatment of a patient having need to inhibit EMAP III comprising: administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of the antagonist of Claim 49.

54. A process for diagnosing a disease or a susceptibility to a disease related to expression of the polypeptide of claim 29 comprising:

determining a mutation in the nucleic acid sequence encoding said polypeptide.

55. A diagnostic process comprising:

analyzing for the presence of the polypeptide of claim 29 in a sample derived from a host.

56. A method for identifying compounds which bind to and activate or inhibit a receptor for the polypeptide of claim 29 comprising:

contacting a cell expressing on the surface thereof a receptor for the polypeptide, said receptor being associated with a second

component capable of providing a detectable signal in response to the binding of a compound to said receptor, with a compound to be screened under conditions to permit binding to the receptor; and

determining whether the compound binds to and activates or inhibits the receptor by detecting the presence or absence of a signal generated from the interaction of the compound with the receptor.

Remarks

The above amendment to the specification merely describes the formal drawings submitted herewith since the sheets of drawings and labelling have changed (these drawings are true copies of the formal drawings which were submitted and accepted in the parent application). However, there is no new matter and acceptance and entry of the formal drawings is respectfully urged.

The claims of the above amendment are believed to be fully supported by the present claims, specification or drawings. Therefore, no new matter is believed to be presented.

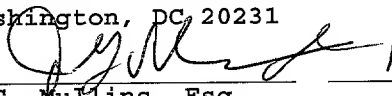
The undersigned certifies under 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f) by the signature below that the hard copy of the sequence listing and its computer readable form as submitted in Parent application 08/483,534 are the same. Moreover, applicants respectfully request that the computer-readable copy submitted in the parent application

be utilized in this application for search purposes to avoid the necessity of resubmitting a new electronic copy of the sequence listing.

Applicant respectfully requests that the above amendment be entered prior to calculation of the claims fees for filing this application. Further, applicant requests that the above amendment be entered prior to the examination of this application to expedite its examination.

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The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below number if any further action by applicant would expedite the examination of this application.

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SEQUENCE LISTING

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- (iii) NUMBER OF SEQUENCES: 7
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- (B) STREET: 6 BECKER FARM ROAD
- (C) CITY: ROSELAND
- (D) STATE: NEW JERSEY
- (E) COUNTRY: USA
- (F) ZIP: 07068
- (v) COMPUTER READABLE FORM:
- (A) MEDIUM TYPE: 3.5 INCH DISKETTE
- (B) COMPUTER: IBM PS/2
- (C) OPERATING SYSTEM: MS-DOS
- (D) SOFTWARE: WORD PERFECT 5.1
- (vi) CURRENT APPLICATION DATA:
- (A) APPLICATION NUMBER: 08/483,534
- (B) FILING DATE: 07 JUN 95
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- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS
- (A) LENGTH: 636 BASE PAIRS
- (B) TYPE: NUCLEIC ACID
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: SINGLE
- (D) TOPOLOGY: LINEAR
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

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- (B) TYPE: AMINO ACID
- (C) STRANDEDNESS:
- (D) TOPOLOGY: LINEAR

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: PROTEIN

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- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS
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(B) TYPE: NUCLEIC ACID
(C) STRANDEDNESS: SINGLE
(D) TOPOLOGY: LINEAR

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Oligonucleotide

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:3:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:4:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS
 - (A) LENGTH: 28 BASE PAIRS
 - (B) TYPE: NUCLEIC ACID
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: SINGLE
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: LINEAR

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Oligonucleotide

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:4:

GATCAAGCTT CTAGATAATG TTCCCCCC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:5:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS
 - (A) LENGTH: 28 BASE PAIRS
 - (B) TYPE: NUCLEIC ACID
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: SINGLE
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: LINEAR

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Oligonucleotide

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:5:

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 - (A) LENGTH: 28 BASE PAIRS
 - (B) TYPE: NUCLEIC ACID
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: SINGLE
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: LINEAR

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Oligonucleotide

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:6:

GATCAAGCTT CTAGATAATG TTCCCCCC

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:7:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS
 - (A) LENGTH: 183 AMINO ACIDS
 - (B) TYPE: AMINO ACID
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS:
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: LINEAR

(ii)

MOLECULE TYPE: PROTEIN

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ENDOTHELIAL-MONOCYTE ACTIVATING POLYPEPTIDE III

This invention relates to newly identified polynucleotides, polypeptides encoded by such polynucleotides, the use of such polynucleotides and polypeptides, as well as the production of such polynucleotides and polypeptides. More particularly, the polypeptide of the present invention has been putatively identified as an endothelial-monocyte activating polypeptide III, sometimes hereinafter referred as "EMAP III". The invention also relates to inhibiting the action of such polypeptides.

Immunogenic tumors such as the murine meth A fibrosarcoma, characteristically have a peripheral zone which contains a chronic inflammatory infiltry (Dvorak, H., New Engl. J. Med., 315:1650-1658 (1986)). The presence of these inflammatory cells, often embedded in a mesh work of fibrin which can extend throughout the tumor stroma, contributes to the concept that tumors might be considered wounds that do not heal (Id.). There have been identified tumor-derived mediators which prime the host response, altering endothelial properties, and attracting inflammatory cells to the tumor. Empa I is a trypsin-sensitive, approximately 40 kda polypeptide distinct from other cytokines and growth factors, and which could activate endothelial cells and monocytes.

Another polypeptide has been identified which is the murine homologue of vpf/vegf, a factor which had previously been shown to increase vascular permeability and to be mytogenic for endothelial cells. Recently, another polypeptide has been identified in supernatants of meth A tumor cells (EMAP II). EMAP II activates endothelial cells (ECs) and mononuclear cells potentiating their participation in procoagulant reactions through induction of tissue factor, promoting migration of monocytes and polymorphonuclear leukocytes, and leading to a phlogogenic response when injected into murine foot pads. EMAP II is an apparently unique polypeptide which runs as a broad band.

The polypeptide of the present invention has been putatively identified as a EMAP III as a result of amino acid sequence homology to EMAP II.

In accordance with one aspect of the present invention, there is provided a novel mature polypeptide, as well as biologically active and diagnostically or therapeutically useful fragments, analogs and derivatives thereof. The polypeptide of the present invention is of human origin.

In accordance with another aspect of the present invention, there are provided isolated nucleic acid molecules encoding a polypeptide of the present invention including mRNAs, DNAs, cDNAs, genomic DNAs as well as analogs and biologically active and diagnostically or therapeutically useful fragments thereof.

In accordance with yet a further aspect of the present invention, there is provided a process for producing such polypeptide by recombinant techniques comprising culturing recombinant prokaryotic and/or eukaryotic host cells, containing a nucleic acid sequence encoding a polypeptide of the present invention, under conditions promoting expression of said protein and subsequent recovery of said protein.

In accordance with yet a further aspect of the present invention, there is provided a process for utilizing such

polypeptide, or polynucleotide encoding such polypeptide for therapeutic purposes, for example, neoplasia such as tumors in cancer.

In accordance with yet a further aspect of the present invention, there are provided antibodies against such polypeptides.

In accordance with another aspect of the present invention, there are provided agonists which mimic EMAP III and bind to the EMAP III receptors to elicit responses.

In accordance with yet a further aspect of the present invention, there is also provided nucleic acid probes comprising nucleic acid molecules of sufficient length to specifically hybridize to a nucleic acid sequence of the present invention.

In accordance with still another aspect of the present invention, there are provided diagnostic assays for detecting diseases or susceptibility to diseases related to mutations in the nucleic acid sequences encoding a polypeptide of the present invention.

In accordance with yet a further aspect of the present invention, there is provided a process for utilizing such polypeptides, or polynucleotides encoding such polypeptides, for *in vitro* purposes related to scientific research, for example, synthesis of DNA and manufacture of DNA vectors.

These and other aspects of the present invention should be apparent to those skilled in the art from the teachings herein.

The following drawings are illustrative of embodiments of the invention and are not meant to limit the scope of the invention as encompassed by the claims.

Figure 1 is an illustration of the cDNA and corresponding deduced amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of the present invention. Sequencing was performed using a 373 automated DNA sequencer (Applied Biosystems, Inc.).

Figure 2 is an amino acid sequence comparison between the polypeptide of the present invention (top line) and EMAP II (bottom line).

In accordance with an aspect of the present invention, there is provided an isolated nucleic acid (polynucleotide) which encodes for the mature polypeptide having the deduced amino acid sequence of Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:2) or for the mature polypeptide encoded by the cDNA of the clone deposited as ATCC Deposit No. _____ on May 26, 1995.

The polynucleotide of this invention was discovered in a cDNA library derived from resting T-cells. It contains an open reading frame encoding a protein of 168 amino acid residues. The 168 amino acid sequence represents the active domain of EMAP III which is derived from a prosequence which has been proteolytically cleaved. The protein exhibits the highest degree of homology to EMAP II with 60 % identity and 75 % similarity over a 150 amino acid stretch. The coding sequence of Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:2) illustrates the active domain of the polypeptide and the polypeptide may comprise additional amino acid residues. Although the polypeptide of the present invention is not thought to have a leader sequence, it is a secreted protein.

The polynucleotide of the present invention may be in the form of RNA or in the form of DNA, which DNA includes cDNA, genomic DNA, and synthetic DNA. The DNA may be double-stranded or single-stranded, and if single stranded may be the coding strand or non-coding (anti-sense) strand. The coding sequence which encodes the mature polypeptide may be identical to the coding sequence shown in Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:1) or that of the deposited clone or may be a different coding sequence which coding sequence, as a result of the redundancy or degeneracy of the genetic code, encodes the same mature polypeptide as the DNA of Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:1) or the deposited cDNA.

The polynucleotide which encodes for the mature polypeptide of Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:2) or for the mature polypeptide encoded by the deposited cDNA may include, but is not limited to: only the coding sequence for the mature polypeptide; the coding sequence for the mature polypeptide and additional coding sequence such as a secretory sequence or a proprotein sequence; the coding sequence for the mature polypeptide (and optionally additional coding sequence) and non-coding sequence, such as introns or non-coding sequence 5' and/or 3' of the coding sequence for the mature polypeptide.

Thus, the term "polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide" encompasses a polynucleotide which includes only coding sequence for the polypeptide as well as a polynucleotide which includes additional coding and/or non-coding sequence.

The present invention further relates to variants of the hereinabove described polynucleotides which encode for fragments, analogs and derivatives of the polypeptide having the deduced amino acid sequence of Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:2) or the polypeptide encoded by the cDNA of the deposited clone. The variant of the polynucleotide may be a naturally occurring allelic variant of the polynucleotide or a non-naturally occurring variant of the polynucleotide.

Thus, the present invention includes polynucleotides encoding the same mature polypeptide as shown in Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:2) or the same mature polypeptide encoded by the cDNA of the deposited clone as well as variants of such polynucleotides which variants encode for a fragment, derivative or analog of the polypeptide of Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:2) or the polypeptide encoded by the cDNA of the deposited clone. Such nucleotide variants include deletion variants, substitution variants and addition or insertion variants.

As hereinabove indicated, the polynucleotide may have a coding sequence which is a naturally occurring allelic variant of the coding sequence shown in Figure 1 (SEQ ID

NO:1) or of the coding sequence of the deposited clone. As known in the art, an allelic variant is an alternate form of a polynucleotide sequence which may have a substitution, deletion or addition of one or more nucleotides, which does not substantially alter the function of the encoded polypeptide.

The present invention also includes polynucleotides, wherein the coding sequence for the mature polypeptide may be fused in the same reading frame to a polynucleotide sequence which aids in expression and secretion of a polypeptide from a host cell, for example, a secretory sequence for controlling transport of a polypeptide from the cell. The polynucleotides may also encode for a proprotein which is the mature protein plus additional 5' amino acid residues. A mature protein having a prosequence is a proprotein and is an inactive form of the protein. Once the prosequence is cleaved an active mature protein remains. Thus, for example, the polynucleotide of the present invention may encode for a mature protein, or for a protein having a prosequence.

The polynucleotides of the present invention may also have the coding sequence fused in frame to a marker sequence which allows for purification of the polypeptide of the present invention. The marker sequence may be a hexahistidine tag supplied by a pQE-9 vector to provide for purification of the mature polypeptide fused to the marker in the case of a bacterial host, or, for example, the marker sequence may be a hemagglutinin (HA) tag when a mammalian host, e.g. COS-7 cells, is used. The HA tag corresponds to an epitope derived from the influenza hemagglutinin protein (Wilson, I., et al., Cell, 37:767 (1984)).

The present invention further relates to polynucleotides which hybridize to the hereinabove-described sequences if there is at least 70%, preferably at least 90%, and more preferably at least 95% identity between the

sequences. The present invention particularly relates to polynucleotides which hybridize under stringent conditions to the hereinabove-described polynucleotides. As herein used, the term "stringent conditions" means hybridization will occur only if there is at least 95% and preferably at least 97% identity between the sequences. The polynucleotides which hybridize to the hereinabove described polynucleotides in a preferred embodiment encode polypeptides which either retain substantially the same biological function or activity as the mature polypeptide encoded by the cDNAs of Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:1) or the deposited cDNA(s).

Alternatively, the polynucleotide may have at least 20 bases, preferably 30 bases, and more preferably at least 50 bases which hybridize to a polynucleotide of the present invention and which has an identity thereto, as hereinabove described, and which may or may not retain activity. For example, such polynucleotides may be employed as probes for the polynucleotide of SEQ ID NO:1, for example, for recovery of the polynucleotide or as a diagnostic probe or as a PCR primer.

Thus, the present invention is directed to polynucleotides having at least a 70% identity, preferably at least 90% and more preferably at least a 95% identity to a polynucleotide which encodes the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:2 as well as fragments thereof, which fragments have at least 30 bases and preferably at least 50 bases and to polypeptides encoded by such polynucleotides.

The deposit(s) referred to herein will be maintained under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Micro-organisms for purposes of Patent Procedure. These deposits are provided merely as convenience to those of skill in the art and are not an admission that a deposit is required under 35 U.S.C. §112. The sequence of the polynucleotides contained in the deposited materials, as well as the amino acid sequence of

the polypeptides encoded thereby, are incorporated herein by reference and are controlling in the event of any conflict with any description of sequences herein. A license may be required to make, use or sell the deposited materials, and no such license is hereby granted.

The present invention further relates to a polypeptide which has the deduced amino acid sequence of Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:2) or which has the amino acid sequence encoded by the deposited cDNA, as well as fragments, analogs and derivatives of such polypeptide.

The terms "fragment," "derivative" and "analog" when referring to the polypeptide of Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:2) or that encoded by the deposited cDNA, means a polypeptide which retains essentially the same biological function or activity as such polypeptide. Thus, an analog includes a proprotein which can be activated by cleavage of the proprotein portion to produce an active mature polypeptide.

The polypeptide of the present invention may be a recombinant polypeptide, a natural polypeptide or a synthetic polypeptide, preferably a recombinant polypeptide.

The fragment, derivative or analog of the polypeptide of Figure 1 (SEQ ID NO:2) or that encoded by the deposited cDNA may be (i) one in which one or more of the amino acid residues are substituted with a conserved or non-conserved amino acid residue (preferably a conserved amino acid residue) and such substituted amino acid residue may or may not be one encoded by the genetic code, or (ii) one in which one or more of the amino acid residues includes a substituent group, or (iii) one in which the mature polypeptide is fused with another compound, such as a compound to increase the half-life of the polypeptide (for example, polyethylene glycol), or (iv) one in which the additional amino acids are fused to the mature polypeptide, such as a secretory sequence or a sequence which is employed for purification of the mature polypeptide or a proprotein sequence. Such fragments,

derivatives and analogs are deemed to be within the scope of those skilled in the art from the teachings herein.

The polypeptides and polynucleotides of the present invention are preferably provided in an isolated form, and preferably are purified to homogeneity.

The term "isolated" means that the material is removed from its original environment (e.g., the natural environment if it is naturally occurring). For example, a naturally-occurring polynucleotide or polypeptide present in a living animal is not isolated, but the same polynucleotide or polypeptide, separated from some or all of the coexisting materials in the natural system, is isolated. Such polynucleotides could be part of a vector and/or such polynucleotides or polypeptides could be part of a composition, and still be isolated in that such vector or composition is not part of its natural environment.

The present invention also relates to vectors which include polynucleotides of the present invention, host cells which are genetically engineered with vectors of the invention and the production of polypeptides of the invention by recombinant techniques.

Host cells are genetically engineered (transduced or transformed or transfected) with the vectors of this invention which may be, for example, a cloning vector or an expression vector. The vector may be, for example, in the form of a plasmid, a viral particle, a phage, etc. The engineered host cells can be cultured in conventional nutrient media modified as appropriate for activating promoters, selecting transformants or amplifying the genes of the present invention. The culture conditions, such as temperature, pH and the like, are those previously used with the host cell selected for expression, and will be apparent to the ordinarily skilled artisan.

The polynucleotides of the present invention may be employed for producing polypeptides by recombinant

techniques. Thus, for example, the polynucleotide may be included in any one of a variety of expression vectors for expressing a polypeptide. Such vectors include chromosomal, nonchromosomal and synthetic DNA sequences, e.g., derivatives of SV40; bacterial plasmids; phage DNA; baculovirus; yeast plasmids; vectors derived from combinations of plasmids and phage DNA, viral DNA such as vaccinia, adenovirus, fowl pox virus, and pseudorabies. However, any other vector may be used as long as it is replicable and viable in the host.

The appropriate DNA sequence may be inserted into the vector by a variety of procedures. In general, the DNA sequence is inserted into an appropriate restriction endonuclease site(s) by procedures known in the art. Such procedures and others are deemed to be within the scope of those skilled in the art.

The DNA sequence in the expression vector is operatively linked to an appropriate expression control sequence(s) (promoter) to direct mRNA synthesis. As representative examples of such promoters, there may be mentioned: LTR or SV40 promoter, the E. coli. lac or trp, the phage lambda P_L promoter and other promoters known to control expression of genes in prokaryotic or eukaryotic cells or their viruses. The expression vector also contains a ribosome binding site for translation initiation and a transcription terminator. The vector may also include appropriate sequences for amplifying expression.

In addition, the expression vectors preferably contain one or more selectable marker genes to provide a phenotypic trait for selection of transformed host cells such as dihydrofolate reductase or neomycin resistance for eukaryotic cell culture, or such as tetracycline or ampicillin resistance in E. coli.

The vector containing the appropriate DNA sequence as hereinabove described, as well as an appropriate promoter or

control sequence, may be employed to transform an appropriate host to permit the host to express the protein.

As representative examples of appropriate hosts, there may be mentioned: bacterial cells, such as E. coli, Streptomyces, Salmonella typhimurium; fungal cells, such as yeast; insect cells such as Drosophila S2 and Spodoptera Sf9; animal cells such as CHO, COS or Bowes melanoma; adenoviruses; plant cells, etc. The selection of an appropriate host is deemed to be within the scope of those skilled in the art from the teachings herein.

More particularly, the present invention also includes recombinant constructs comprising one or more of the sequences as broadly described above. The constructs comprise a vector, such as a plasmid or viral vector, into which a sequence of the invention has been inserted, in a forward or reverse orientation. In a preferred aspect of this embodiment, the construct further comprises regulatory sequences, including, for example, a promoter, operably linked to the sequence. Large numbers of suitable vectors and promoters are known to those of skill in the art, and are commercially available. The following vectors are provided by way of example; Bacterial: pQE70, pQE60, pQE-9 (Qiagen), pBS, pD10, phagescript, psiX174, pbluescript SK, pbsks, pNH8A, pNH16a, pNH18A, pNH46A (Stratagene); ptrc99a, pKK223-3, pKK233-3, pDR540, pRIT5 (Pharmacia); Eukaryotic: pWLNEO, pSV2CAT, pOG44, pXT1, pSG (Stratagene) pSVK3, pBPV, pMSG, pSVL (Pharmacia). However, any other plasmid or vector may be used as long as they are replicable and viable in the host.

Promoter regions can be selected from any desired gene using CAT (chloramphenicol transferase) vectors or other vectors with selectable markers. Two appropriate vectors are pKK232-8 and pCM7. Particular named bacterial promoters include lacI, lacZ, T3, T7, gpt, lambda P_R, P_L and trp. Eukaryotic promoters include CMV immediate early, HSV

thymidine kinase, early and late SV40, LTRs from retrovirus, and mouse metallothionein-I. Selection of the appropriate vector and promoter is well within the level of ordinary skill in the art.

In a further embodiment, the present invention relates to host cells containing the above-described constructs. The host cell can be a higher eukaryotic cell, such as a mammalian cell, or a lower eukaryotic cell, such as a yeast cell, or the host cell can be a prokaryotic cell, such as a bacterial cell. Introduction of the construct into the host cell can be effected by calcium phosphate transfection, DEAE-Dextran mediated transfection, or electroporation (Davis, L., Dibner, M., Battey, I., Basic Methods in Molecular Biology, (1986)).

The constructs in host cells can be used in a conventional manner to produce the gene product encoded by the recombinant sequence. Alternatively, the polypeptides of the invention can be synthetically produced by conventional peptide synthesizers.

Mature proteins can be expressed in mammalian cells, yeast, bacteria, or other cells under the control of appropriate promoters. Cell-free translation systems can also be employed to produce such proteins using RNAs derived from the DNA constructs of the present invention. Appropriate cloning and expression vectors for use with prokaryotic and eukaryotic hosts are described by Sambrook, et al., Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, Second Edition, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., (1989), the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference.

Transcription of the DNA encoding the polypeptides of the present invention by higher eukaryotes is increased by inserting an enhancer sequence into the vector. Enhancers are cis-acting elements of DNA, usually about from 10 to 300 bp that act on a promoter to increase its transcription. Examples include the SV40 enhancer on the late side of the

replication origin bp 100 to 270, a cytomegalovirus early promoter enhancer, the polyoma enhancer on the late side of the replication origin, and adenovirus enhancers.

Generally, recombinant expression vectors will include origins of replication and selectable markers permitting transformation of the host cell, e.g., the ampicillin resistance gene of E. coli and S. cerevisiae TRP1 gene, and a promoter derived from a highly-expressed gene to direct transcription of a downstream structural sequence. Such promoters can be derived from operons encoding glycolytic enzymes such as 3-phosphoglycerate kinase (PGK), α -factor, acid phosphatase, or heat shock proteins, among others. The heterologous structural sequence is assembled in appropriate phase with translation initiation and termination sequences, and preferably, a leader sequence capable of directing secretion of translated protein into the periplasmic space or extracellular medium. Optionally, the heterologous sequence can encode a fusion protein including an N-terminal identification peptide imparting desired characteristics, e.g., stabilization or simplified purification of expressed recombinant product.

Useful expression vectors for bacterial use are constructed by inserting a structural DNA sequence encoding a desired protein together with suitable translation initiation and termination signals in operable reading phase with a functional promoter. The vector will comprise one or more phenotypic selectable markers and an origin of replication to ensure maintenance of the vector and to, if desirable, provide amplification within the host. Suitable prokaryotic hosts for transformation include E. coli, Bacillus subtilis, Salmonella typhimurium and various species within the genera Pseudomonas, Streptomyces, and Staphylococcus, although others may also be employed as a matter of choice.

As a representative but nonlimiting example, useful expression vectors for bacterial use can comprise a selectable marker and bacterial origin of replication derived from commercially available plasmids comprising genetic elements of the well known cloning vector pBR322 (ATCC 37017). Such commercial vectors include, for example, pKK223-3 (Pharmacia Fine Chemicals, Uppsala, Sweden) and GEM1 (Promega Biotec, Madison, WI, USA). These pBR322 "backbone" sections are combined with an appropriate promoter and the structural sequence to be expressed.

Following transformation of a suitable host strain and growth of the host strain to an appropriate cell density, the selected promoter is induced by appropriate means (e.g., temperature shift or chemical induction) and cells are cultured for an additional period.

Cells are typically harvested by centrifugation, disrupted by physical or chemical means, and the resulting crude extract retained for further purification.

Microbial cells employed in expression of proteins can be disrupted by any convenient method, including freeze-thaw cycling, sonication, mechanical disruption, or use of cell lysing agents, such methods are well known to those skilled in the art.

Various mammalian cell culture systems can also be employed to express recombinant protein. Examples of mammalian expression systems include the COS-7 lines of monkey kidney fibroblasts, described by Gluzman, Cell, 23:175 (1981), and other cell lines capable of expressing a compatible vector, for example, the C127, 3T3, CHO, HeLa and BHK cell lines. Mammalian expression vectors will comprise an origin of replication, a suitable promoter and enhancer, and also any necessary ribosome binding sites, polyadenylation site, splice donor and acceptor sites, transcriptional termination sequences, and 5' flanking nontranscribed sequences. DNA sequences derived from the

SV40 splice, and polyadenylation sites may be used to provide the required nontranscribed genetic elements.

The polypeptide can be recovered and purified from recombinant cell cultures by methods including ammonium sulfate or ethanol precipitation, acid extraction, anion or cation exchange chromatography, phosphocellulose chromatography, hydrophobic interaction chromatography, affinity chromatography, hydroxylapatite chromatography and lectin chromatography. Protein refolding steps can be used, as necessary, in completing configuration of the mature protein. Finally, high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) can be employed for final purification steps.

The polypeptides of the present invention may be a naturally purified product, or a product of chemical synthetic procedures, or produced by recombinant techniques from a prokaryotic or eukaryotic host (for example, by bacterial, yeast, higher plant, insect and mammalian cells in culture). Depending upon the host employed in a recombinant production procedure, the polypeptides of the present invention may be glycosylated or may be non-glycosylated. Polypeptides of the invention may also include an initial methionine amino acid residue.

The EMAP III polypeptide of the present invention may be employed to regress neoplasia, such as tumors in cancers.

The polynucleotides and polypeptides of the present invention may be employed as research reagents and materials for discovery of treatments and diagnostics to human disease.

This invention provides a method for identification of the receptor for EMAP III. The gene encoding the receptor can be identified by numerous methods known to those of skill in the art, for example, ligand panning and FACS sorting (Coligan, et al., Current Protocols in Immun., 1(2), Chapter 5, (1991)). Preferably, expression cloning is employed wherein polyadenylated RNA is prepared from a cell responsive to EMAP III, and a cDNA library created from this RNA is

divided into pools and used to transfect COS cells or other cells that are not responsive to EMAP III. Transfected cells which are grown on glass slides are exposed to labeled EMAP III. EMAP III can be labeled by a variety of means including iodination or inclusion of a recognition site for a site-specific protein kinase. Following fixation and incubation, the slides are subjected to auto-radiographic analysis. Positive pools are identified and sub-pools are prepared and re-transfected using an iterative sub-pooling and re-screening process, eventually yielding a single clone that encodes the putative receptor. As an alternative approach for receptor identification, labeled ligand can be photoaffinity linked with cell membrane or extract preparations that express the receptor molecule. Cross-linked material is resolved by PAGE and exposed to X-ray film. The labeled complex containing the ligand-receptor can be excised, resolved into peptide fragments, and subjected to protein microsequencing. The amino acid sequence obtained from microsequencing would be used to design a set of degenerate oligonucleotide probes to screen a cDNA library to identify the gene encoding the putative receptor.

This invention provides a method of screening compounds to identify those which enhance (agonists) the biological action EMAP III. As an example, a mammalian cell or membrane preparation expressing the EMAP III receptor is incubated with a labelled compound. The ability of the compound to bind to the EMAP III receptor is then measured. The ability to bind to the receptors is measured by the response of a known second messenger system following interaction of the compound and the receptor. Such second messenger systems include but are not limited to cAMP guanylate cyclase, ion channels or phosphoinositide hydrolysis.

The polypeptides and agonists of the present invention may be employed in combination with a suitable pharmaceutical carrier. Such compositions comprise a therapeutically

effective amount of the polypeptide or agonist, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or excipient. Such a carrier includes but is not limited to saline, buffered saline, dextrose, water, glycerol, ethanol, and combinations thereof. The formulation should suit the mode of administration.

The invention also provides a pharmaceutical pack or kit comprising one or more containers filled with one or more of the ingredients of the pharmaceutical compositions of the invention. Associated with such container(s) can be a notice in the form prescribed by a governmental agency regulating the manufacture, use or sale of pharmaceuticals or biological products, which notice reflects approval by the agency of manufacture, use or sale for human administration. In addition, the polypeptides or agonists of the present invention may be employed in conjunction with other therapeutic compounds.

The pharmaceutical compositions may be administered in a convenient manner such as by the oral, direct injection, parenterally, intravenous, intraperitoneal, intramuscular, subcutaneous, intranasal or intradermal routes. The pharmaceutical compositions are administered in an amount which is effective for treating and/or prophylaxis of the specific indication. In general, they are administered in an amount of at least about 10 $\mu\text{g/kg}$ body weight and in most cases they will be administered in an amount not in excess of about 8 mg/Kg body weight per day. In most cases, the dosage is from about 10 $\mu\text{g/kg}$ to about 1 mg/kg body weight daily, taking into account the routes of administration, symptoms, etc.

The EMAP III polypeptides and agonists which are polypeptides may also be employed in accordance with the present invention by expression of such polypeptides *in vivo*, which is often referred to as "gene therapy."

Thus, for example, cells from a patient may be engineered with a polynucleotide (DNA or RNA) encoding a polypeptide *ex vivo*, with the engineered cells then being provided to a patient to be treated with the polypeptide. Such methods are well-known in the art and are apparent from the teachings herein. For example, cells may be engineered by the use of a retroviral plasmid vector containing RNA encoding a polypeptide of the present invention.

Similarly, cells may be engineered *in vivo* for expression of a polypeptide *in vivo* by, for example, procedures known in the art. For example, a packaging cell is transduced with a retroviral plasmid vector containing RNA encoding a polypeptide of the present invention such that the packaging cell now produces infectious viral particles containing the gene of interest. These producer cells may be administered to a patient for engineering cells *in vivo* and expression of the polypeptide *in vivo*. These and other methods for administering a polypeptide of the present invention by such method should be apparent to those skilled in the art from the teachings of the present invention.

Retroviruses from which the retroviral plasmid vectors hereinabove mentioned may be derived include, but are not limited to, Moloney Murine Leukemia Virus, spleen necrosis virus, retroviruses such as Rous Sarcoma Virus, Harvey Sarcoma Virus, avian leukosis virus, gibbon ape leukemia virus, human immunodeficiency virus, adenovirus, Myeloproliferative Sarcoma Virus, and mammary tumor virus. In one embodiment, the retroviral plasmid vector is derived from Moloney Murine Leukemia Virus.

The vector includes one or more promoters. Suitable promoters which may be employed include, but are not limited to, the retroviral LTR; the SV40 promoter; and the human cytomegalovirus (CMV) promoter described in Miller, et al., Biotechniques, Vol. 7, No. 9, 980-990 (1989), or any other promoter (e.g., cellular promoters such as eukaryotic

cellular promoters including, but not limited to, the histone, pol III, and β -actin promoters). Other viral promoters which may be employed include, but are not limited to, adenovirus promoters, thymidine kinase (TK) promoters, and B19 parvovirus promoters. The selection of a suitable promoter will be apparent to those skilled in the art from the teachings contained herein.

The nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide of the present invention is under the control of a suitable promoter. Suitable promoters which may be employed include, but are not limited to, adenoviral promoters, such as the adenoviral major late promoter; or heterologous promoters, such as the cytomegalovirus (CMV) promoter; the respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) promoter; inducible promoters, such as the MMT promoter, the metallothionein promoter; heat shock promoters; the albumin promoter; the ApoAI promoter; human globin promoters; viral thymidine kinase promoters, such as the Herpes Simplex thymidine kinase promoter; retroviral LTRs (including the modified retroviral LTRs hereinabove described); the β -actin promoter; and human growth hormone promoters. The promoter also may be the native promoter which controls the gene encoding the polypeptide.

The retroviral plasmid vector is employed to transduce packaging cell lines to form producer cell lines. Examples of packaging cells which may be transfected include, but are not limited to, the PE501, PA317, ψ -2, ψ -AM, PA12, T19-14X, VT-19-17-H2, ψ CRE, ψ CRIP, GP+E-86, GP+envAm12, and DAN cell lines as described in Miller, Human Gene Therapy, Vol. 1, pgs. 5-14 (1990), which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. The vector may transduce the packaging cells through any means known in the art. Such means include, but are not limited to, electroporation, the use of liposomes, and CaPO_4 precipitation. In one alternative, the retroviral plasmid vector may be encapsulated into a

liposome, or coupled to a lipid, and then administered to a host.

The producer cell line generates infectious retroviral vector particles which include the nucleic acid sequence(s) encoding the polypeptides. Such retroviral vector particles then may be employed, to transduce eukaryotic cells, either *in vitro* or *in vivo*. The transduced eukaryotic cells will express the nucleic acid sequence(s) encoding the polypeptide. Eukaryotic cells which may be transduced include, but are not limited to, embryonic stem cells, embryonic carcinoma cells, as well as hematopoietic stem cells, hepatocytes, fibroblasts, myoblasts, keratinocytes, endothelial cells, and bronchial epithelial cells.

This invention is also related to the use of the gene of the present invention as a diagnostic. Detection of a mutated form of the gene will allow a diagnosis of a disease or a susceptibility to a disease which results from underexpression of EMAP III.

Individuals carrying mutations in the gene of the present invention may be detected at the DNA level by a variety of techniques. Nucleic acids for diagnosis may be obtained from a patient's cells, including but not limited to blood, urine, saliva, tissue biopsy and autopsy material. The genomic DNA may be used directly for detection or may be amplified enzymatically by using PCR (Saiki et al., Nature, 324:163-166 (1986)) prior to analysis. RNA or cDNA may also be used for the same purpose. As an example, PCR primers complementary to the nucleic acid encoding EMAP III can be used to identify and analyze mutations. For example, deletions and insertions can be detected by a change in size of the amplified product in comparison to the normal genotype. Point mutations can be identified by hybridizing amplified DNA to radiolabeled RNA or alternatively, radiolabeled antisense DNA sequences. Perfectly matched

sequences can be distinguished from mismatched duplexes by RNase A digestion or by differences in melting temperatures.

Sequence differences between the reference gene and genes having mutations may be revealed by the direct DNA sequencing method. In addition, cloned DNA segments may be employed as probes to detect specific DNA segments. The sensitivity of this method is greatly enhanced when combined with PCR. For example, a sequencing primer is used with double-stranded PCR product or a single-stranded template molecule generated by a modified PCR. The sequence determination is performed by conventional procedures with radiolabeled nucleotide or by automatic sequencing procedures with fluorescent-tags.

Genetic testing based on DNA sequence differences may be achieved by detection of alteration in electrophoretic mobility of DNA fragments in gels with or without denaturing agents. Small sequence deletions and insertions can be visualized by high resolution gel electrophoresis. DNA fragments of different sequences may be distinguished on denaturing formamide gradient gels in which the mobilities of different DNA fragments are retarded in the gel at different positions according to their specific melting or partial melting temperatures (see, e.g., Myers *et al.*, Science, 230:1242 (1985)).

Sequence changes at specific locations may also be revealed by nuclease protection assays, such as RNase and S1 protection or the chemical cleavage method (e.g., Cotton *et al.*, PNAS, USA, 85:4397-4401 (1985)).

Thus, the detection of a specific DNA sequence may be achieved by methods such as hybridization, RNase protection, chemical cleavage, direct DNA sequencing or the use of restriction enzymes, (e.g., Restriction Fragment Length Polymorphisms (RFLP)) and Southern blotting of genomic DNA.

In addition to more conventional gel-electrophoresis and DNA sequencing, mutations can also be detected by *in situ* analysis.

The present invention also relates to a diagnostic assay for detecting altered levels of the polypeptide of the present invention in various tissues since an over-expression of the proteins compared to normal control tissue samples can detect the presence of EMAP III Assays used to detect levels of the polypeptide of the present invention in a sample derived from a host are well-known to those of skill in the art and include radioimmunoassays, competitive-binding assays, Western Blot analysis and preferably an ELISA assay. An ELISA assay initially comprises preparing an antibody specific to the EMAP III antigen, preferably a monoclonal antibody. In addition a reporter antibody is prepared against the monoclonal antibody. To the reporter antibody is attached a detectable reagent such as radioactivity, fluorescence or in this example a horseradish peroxidase enzyme. A sample is now removed from a host and incubated on a solid support, e.g. a polystyrene dish, that binds the proteins in the sample. Any free protein binding sites on the dish are then covered by incubating with a non-specific protein such as bovine serum albumin. Next, the monoclonal antibody is incubated in the dish during which time the monoclonal antibodies attached to any of the polypeptide of the present invention attached to the polystyrene dish. All unbound monoclonal antibody is washed out with buffer. The reporter antibody linked to horseradish peroxidase is now placed in the dish resulting in binding of the reporter antibody to any monoclonal antibody bound to the polypeptide of the present invention. Unattached reporter antibody is then washed out. Peroxidase substrates are then added to the dish and the amount of color developed in a given time period is a measurement of the amount of the polypeptide of the

present invention present in a given volume of patient sample when compared against a standard curve.

A competition assay may be employed wherein antibodies specific to the polypeptide of the present invention are attached to a solid support and labeled EMAP III and a sample derived from the host are passed over the solid support and the amount of label detected attached to the solid support can be correlated to a quantity of the polypeptide of the present invention in the sample.

The sequences of the present invention are also valuable for chromosome identification. The sequence is specifically targeted to and can hybridize with a particular location on an individual human chromosome. Moreover, there is a current need for identifying particular sites on the chromosome. Few chromosome marking reagents based on actual sequence data (repeat polymorphisms) are presently available for marking chromosomal location. The mapping of DNAs to chromosomes according to the present invention is an important first step in correlating those sequences with genes associated with disease.

Briefly, sequences can be mapped to chromosomes by preparing PCR primers (preferably 15-25 bp) from the cDNA. Computer analysis of the 3' untranslated region of the gene is used to rapidly select primers that do not span more than one exon in the genomic DNA, thus complicating the amplification process. These primers are then used for PCR screening of somatic cell hybrids containing individual human chromosomes. Only those hybrids containing the human gene corresponding to the primer will yield an amplified fragment.

PCR mapping of somatic cell hybrids is a rapid procedure for assigning a particular DNA to a particular chromosome. Using the present invention with the same oligonucleotide primers, sublocalization can be achieved with panels of fragments from specific chromosomes or pools of large genomic clones in an analogous manner. Other mapping strategies that

can similarly be used to map to its chromosome include *in situ* hybridization, prescreening with labeled flow-sorted chromosomes and preselection by hybridization to construct chromosome specific-cDNA libraries.

Fluorescence *in situ* hybridization (FISH) of a cDNA clone to a metaphase chromosomal spread can be used to provide a precise chromosomal location in one step. This technique can be used with cDNA having at least 50 or 60 bases. For a review of this technique, see Verma et al., Human Chromosomes: a Manual of Basic Techniques, Pergamon Press, New York (1988).

Once a sequence has been mapped to a precise chromosomal location, the physical position of the sequence on the chromosome can be correlated with genetic map data. Such data are found, for example, in V. McKusick, Mendelian Inheritance in Man (available on line through Johns Hopkins University Welch Medical Library). The relationship between genes and diseases that have been mapped to the same chromosomal region are then identified through linkage analysis (coinheritance of physically adjacent genes).

Next, it is necessary to determine the differences in the cDNA or genomic sequence between affected and unaffected individuals. If a mutation is observed in some or all of the affected individuals but not in any normal individuals, then the mutation is likely to be the causative agent of the disease.

With current resolution of physical mapping and genetic mapping techniques, a cDNA precisely localized to a chromosomal region associated with the disease could be one of between 50 and 500 potential causative genes. (This assumes 1 megabase mapping resolution and one gene per 20 kb).

The polypeptides, their fragments or other derivatives, or analogs thereof, or cells expressing them can be used as an immunogen to produce antibodies thereto. These antibodies

can be, for example, polyclonal or monoclonal antibodies. The present invention also includes chimeric, single chain, and humanized antibodies, as well as Fab fragments, or the product of an Fab expression library. Various procedures known in the art may be used for the production of such antibodies and fragments.

Antibodies generated against the polypeptides corresponding to a sequence of the present invention can be obtained by direct injection of the polypeptides into an animal or by administering the polypeptides to an animal, preferably a nonhuman. The antibody so obtained will then bind the polypeptides itself. In this manner, even a sequence encoding only a fragment of the polypeptides can be used to generate antibodies binding the whole native polypeptides. Such antibodies can then be used to isolate the polypeptide from tissue expressing that polypeptide.

For preparation of monoclonal antibodies, any technique which provides antibodies produced by continuous cell line cultures can be used. Examples include the hybridoma technique (Kohler and Milstein, 1975, Nature, 256:495-497), the trioma technique, the human B-cell hybridoma technique (Kozbor et al., 1983, Immunology Today 4:72), and the EBV-hybridoma technique to produce human monoclonal antibodies (Cole, et al., 1985, in Monoclonal Antibodies and Cancer Therapy, Alan R. Liss, Inc., pp. 77-96).

Techniques described for the production of single chain antibodies (U.S. Patent 4,946,778) can be adapted to produce single chain antibodies to immunogenic polypeptide products of this invention. Also, transgenic mice may be used to express humanized antibodies to immunogenic polypeptide products of this invention.

The present invention will be further described with reference to the following examples; however, it is to be understood that the present invention is not limited to such

examples. All parts or amounts, unless otherwise specified, are by weight.

In order to facilitate understanding of the following examples certain frequently occurring methods and/or terms will be described.

"Plasmids" are designated by a lower case p preceded and/or followed by capital letters and/or numbers. The starting plasmids herein are either commercially available, publicly available on an unrestricted basis, or can be constructed from available plasmids in accord with published procedures. In addition, equivalent plasmids to those described are known in the art and will be apparent to the ordinarily skilled artisan.

"Digestion" of DNA refers to catalytic cleavage of the DNA with a restriction enzyme that acts only at certain sequences in the DNA. The various restriction enzymes used herein are commercially available and their reaction conditions, cofactors and other requirements were used as would be known to the ordinarily skilled artisan. For analytical purposes, typically 1 μ g of plasmid or DNA fragment is used with about 2 units of enzyme in about 20 μ l of buffer solution. For the purpose of isolating DNA fragments for plasmid construction, typically 5 to 50 μ g of DNA are digested with 20 to 250 units of enzyme in a larger volume. Appropriate buffers and substrate amounts for particular restriction enzymes are specified by the manufacturer. Incubation times of about 1 hour at 37°C are ordinarily used, but may vary in accordance with the supplier's instructions. After digestion the reaction is electrophoresed directly on a polyacrylamide gel to isolate the desired fragment.

Size separation of the cleaved fragments is performed using 8 percent polyacrylamide gel described by Goeddel, D. et al., Nucleic Acids Res., 8:4057 (1980).

"Oligonucleotides" refers to either a single stranded polydeoxynucleotide or two complementary polydeoxynucleotide strands which may be chemically synthesized. Such synthetic oligonucleotides have no 5' phosphate and thus will not ligate to another oligonucleotide without adding a phosphate with an ATP in the presence of a kinase. A synthetic oligonucleotide will ligate to a fragment that has not been dephosphorylated.

"Ligation" refers to the process of forming phosphodiester bonds between two double stranded nucleic acid fragments (Maniatis, T., et al., Id., p. 146). Unless otherwise provided, ligation may be accomplished using known buffers and conditions with 10 units of T4 DNA ligase ("ligase") per 0.5 μ g of approximately equimolar amounts of the DNA fragments to be ligated.

Unless otherwise stated, transformation was performed as described in the method of Graham, F. and Van der Eb, A., Virology, 52:456-457 (1973).

Example 1

Bacterial Expression and Purification of EMAP III

The DNA sequence encoding EMAP III, ATCC # __, is initially amplified using PCR oligonucleotide primers corresponding to the 5' sequences of the processed EMAP III protein (minus the signal peptide sequence) and the vector sequences 3' to the EMAP III gene. Additional nucleotides corresponding to EMAP III were added to the 5' and 3' sequences respectively. The 5' oligonucleotide primer has the sequence 5' GATCGGATCCGAGGAGGTCATCCCATCC 3' (SEQ ID NO:3) contains a BamHI restriction enzyme site followed by EMAP III coding sequence starting from the initial amino acid (Glu) of the processed protein. The 3' sequence 5' GATCAAGCTTC TAGATAATGTTCCCCC 3' (SEQ ID NO:4) contains complementary sequences to HindIII and is followed by nucleotides of EMAP III coding sequence starting from the terminal amino acid.

The restriction enzyme sites correspond to the restriction enzyme sites on the bacterial expression vector pQE-9 (Qiagen, Inc., Chatsworth, CA, 91311). pQE-9 encodes antibiotic resistance (Amp^r), a bacterial origin of replication (ori), an IPTG-regulatable promoter operator (P/O), a ribosome binding site (RBS), a 6-His tag and restriction enzyme sites. pQE-9 was then digested with BamHI and HindIII. The amplified sequences were ligated into pQE-9 and were inserted in frame with the sequence encoding for the histidine tag and the RBS. The ligation mixture was then used to transform E. coli strain M15/rep 4 (Qiagen, Inc.) by the procedure described in Sambrook, J. et al., Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Laboratory Press, (1989). M15/rep4 contains multiple copies of the plasmid pREP4, which expresses the lacI repressor and also confers kanamycin resistance (Kan^r). Transformants are identified by their ability to grow on LB plates and ampicillin/kanamycin resistant colonies were selected. Plasmid DNA was isolated and confirmed by restriction analysis. Clones containing the desired constructs were grown overnight (O/N) in liquid culture in LB media supplemented with both Amp (100 ug/ml) and Kan (25 ug/ml). The O/N culture is used to inoculate a large culture at a ratio of 1:100 to 1:250. The cells were grown to an optical density 600 (O.D.⁶⁰⁰) of between 0.4 and 0.6. IPTG ("Isopropyl-B-D-thiogalacto pyranoside") was then added to a final concentration of 1 mM. IPTG induces by inactivating the lacI repressor, clearing the P/O leading to increased gene expression. Cells were grown an extra 3 to 4 hours. Cells were then harvested by centrifugation. The cell pellet was solubilized in the chaotropic agent 6 Molar Guanidine HCl. After clarification, solubilized EMAP III was purified from this solution by chromatography on a Nickel-Chelate column under conditions that allow for tight binding by proteins containing the 6-His tag (Hochuli, E. et al., J. Chromatography 411:177-184 (1984)). EMAP III protein (>90%

pure) was eluted from the column at pH 5.0 and was pooled and dialyzed versus decreasing concentrations of GnHCl, and then finally into a buffer containing 20 mM Tris HCl pH 8.0; 59 mM NaCl; 0.1 % w/v octyl- β -glucoside. The concentration of soluble protein was determined using a BioRad protein assay, and bacterial LPS contamination assayed.

Example 2

Cloning and expression of EMAP III using the baculovirus expression system

The DNA sequence encoding the full length EMAP III protein, ATCC # _____, is amplified using PCR oligonucleotide primers corresponding to the 5' and 3' sequences of the gene:

The 5' primer has the sequence 5' GATCGGATCCGAGGAGGTCATCCCATCC 3' (SEQ ID NO:5) and contains a BamHI restriction enzyme site (in bold) the first 18 nucleotides of the EMAP III gene.

The 3' primer has the sequence 5' GATCGGATCCCTA GATAATGTTCCCCC 3' (SEQ ID NO:6) and contains the cleavage site for the restriction endonuclease BamHI and 18 nucleotides complementary to the 3' sequence of the EMAP III gene. The amplified sequences are isolated from a 1% agarose gel using a commercially available kit ("Geneclean," BIO 101 Inc., La Jolla, Ca.). The fragment is then digested with the endonuclease BamHI and purified again on a 1% agarose gel. This fragment is designated F2.

The vector pRG1 (modification of pVL941 vector, discussed below) is used for the expression of the EMAP III protein using the baculovirus expression system (for review see: Summers, M.D. and Smith, G.E. 1987, A manual of methods for baculovirus vectors and insect cell culture procedures, Texas Agricultural Experimental Station Bulletin No. 1555). This expression vector contains the strong polyhedrin promoter of the Autographa californica nuclear polyhedrosis virus (AcMNPV) followed by the recognition sites for the

restriction endonuclease BamHI. The polyadenylation site of the simian virus (SV)40 is used for efficient polyadenylation. For an easy selection of recombinant virus the beta-galactosidase gene from E.coli is inserted in the same orientation as the polyhedrin promoter followed by the polyadenylation signal of the polyhedrin gene. The polyhedrin sequences are flanked at both sides by viral sequences for the cell-mediated homologous recombination of co-transfected wild-type viral DNA. Many other baculovirus vectors could be used in place of pRG1 such as pAc373, pVL941 and pAcIM1 (Luckow, V.A. and Summers, M.D., Virology, 170:31-39).

The plasmid is digested with the restriction enzyme BamHI and dephosphorylated using calf intestinal phosphatase by procedures known in the art. The DNA is then isolated from a 1% agarose gel using the commercially available kit ("Geneclean" BIO 101 Inc., La Jolla, Ca.). This vector DNA is designated V2.

Fragment F2 and the dephosphorylated plasmid V2 are ligated with T4 DNA ligase. E.coli HB101 cells are then transformed and bacteria identified that contained the plasmid (pBac EMAP III) with the EMAP III gene using the enzyme BamHI. The sequence of the cloned fragment is confirmed by DNA sequencing.

5 μ g of the plasmid pBac EMAP III is co-transfected with 1.0 μ g of a commercially available linearized baculovirus ("BaculoGold™ baculovirus DNA", Pharmingen, San Diego, CA.) using the lipofection method (Felgner et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, 84:7413-7417 (1987)).

1 μ g of BaculoGold™ virus DNA and 5 μ g of the plasmid pBac EMAP III are mixed in a sterile well of a microtiter plate containing 50 μ l of serum free Grace's medium (Life Technologies Inc., Gaithersburg, MD). Afterwards 10 μ l Lipofectin plus 90 μ l Grace's medium are added, mixed and incubated for 15 minutes at room temperature. Then the

transfection mixture is added drop-wise to the Sf9 insect cells (ATCC CRL 1711) seeded in a 35 mm tissue culture plate with 1 ml Grace's medium without serum. The plate is rocked back and forth to mix the newly added solution. The plate is then incubated for 5 hours at 27°C. After 5 hours the transfection solution is removed from the plate and 1 ml of Grace's insect medium supplemented with 10% fetal calf serum is added. The plate is put back into an incubator and cultivation continued at 27°C for four days.

After four days the supernatant is collected and a plaque assay performed similar as described by Summers and Smith (supra). As a modification an agarose gel with "Blue Gal" (Life Technologies Inc., Gaithersburg) is used which allows an easy isolation of blue stained plaques. (A detailed description of a "plaque assay" can also be found in the user's guide for insect cell culture and baculovirology distributed by Life Technologies Inc., Gaithersburg, page 9-10).

Four days after the serial dilution, the virus is added to the cells and blue stained plaques are picked with the tip of an Eppendorf pipette. The agar containing the recombinant viruses is then resuspended in an Eppendorf tube containing 200 μ l of Grace's medium. The agar is removed by a brief centrifugation and the supernatant containing the recombinant baculovirus is used to infect Sf9 cells seeded in 35 mm dishes. Four days later the supernatants of these culture dishes are harvested and then stored at 4°C.

Sf9 cells are grown in Grace's medium supplemented with 10% heat-inactivated FBS. The cells are infected with the recombinant baculovirus V-EMAP III at a multiplicity of infection (MOI) of 2. Six hours later the medium is removed and replaced with SF900 II medium minus methionine and cysteine (Life Technologies Inc., Gaithersburg). 42 hours later 5 μ Ci of 35 S-methionine and 5 μ Ci 35 S cysteine (Amersham) are added. The cells are further incubated for 16 hours

before they are harvested by centrifugation and the labelled proteins visualized by SDS-PAGE and autoradiography.

Example 3

Expression of Recombinant EMAP III in COS cells

The expression of plasmid, EMAP III HA is derived from a vector pcDNAI/Amp (Invitrogen) containing: 1) SV40 origin of replication, 2) ampicillin resistance gene, 3) E.coli replication origin, 4) CMV promoter followed by a polylinker region, an SV40 intron and polyadenylation site. A DNA fragment encoding the entire EMAP III precursor and a HA tag fused in frame to its 3' end is cloned into the polylinker region of the vector, therefore, the recombinant protein expression is directed under the CMV promoter. The HA tag corresponds to an epitope derived from the influenza hemagglutinin protein as previously described (I. Wilson, H. Niman, R. Heighten, A Cherenson, M. Connolly, and R. Lerner, 1984, Cell 37:767, (1984)). The infusion of HA tag to the target protein allows easy detection of the recombinant protein with an antibody that recognizes the HA epitope.

The plasmid construction strategy is described as follows:

The DNA sequence encoding EMAP III, ATCC # ____, is constructed by PCR using two primers: the 5' primer 5' GATCGGATCCGAGGAGGTCATCCCATCC 3' contains a BamHI site followed by 18 nucleotides of EMAP III coding sequence starting from the initiation codon; the 3' sequence 5' GATCAAGCTTCTAGATAATGTTCCCCC 3' contains complementary sequences to a BamHI site, translation stop codon, HA tag and the last 18 nucleotides of the EMAP III coding sequence. Therefore, the PCR product contains a BamHI site, EMAP III coding sequence followed by HA tag fused in frame, and a translation termination stop codon next to the HA tag. The PCR amplified DNA fragment and the vector, pcDNAI/Amp, are digested with BamHI restriction enzyme and ligated. The

ligation mixture is transformed into E. coli strain SURE (Stratagene Cloning Systems, La Jolla, CA 92037) the transformed culture is plated on ampicillin media plates and resistant colonies are selected. Plasmid DNA is isolated from transformants and examined by restriction analysis for the presence of the correct fragment. For expression of the recombinant EMAP III, COS cells are transfected with the expression vector by DEAE-DEXTRAN method (J. Sambrook, E. Fritsch, T. Maniatis, Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Laboratory Press, (1989)). The expression of the EMAP III HA protein is detected by radiolabelling and immunoprecipitation method (E. Harlow, D. Lane, Antibodies: A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, (1988)). Cells are labelled for 8 hours with ³⁵S-cysteine two days post transfection. Culture media is then collected and cells are lysed with detergent (RIPA buffer (150 mM NaCl, 1% NP-40, 0.1% SDS, 1% NP-40, 0.5% DOC, 50mM Tris, pH 7.5) (Wilson, I. et al., Id. 37:767 (1984)). Both cell lysate and culture media are precipitated with an HA specific monoclonal antibody. Proteins precipitated are analyzed on 15% SDS-PAGE gels.

Example 5

Expression via Gene Therapy

Fibroblasts are obtained from a subject by skin biopsy. The resulting tissue is placed in tissue-culture medium and separated into small pieces. Small chunks of the tissue are placed on a wet surface of a tissue culture flask, approximately ten pieces are placed in each flask. The flask is turned upside down, closed tight and left at room temperature over night. After 24 hours at room temperature, the flask is inverted and the chunks of tissue remain fixed to the bottom of the flask and fresh media (e.g., Ham's F12 media, with 10% FBS, penicillin and streptomycin, is added. This is then incubated at 37°C for approximately one week.

At this time, fresh media is added and subsequently changed every several days. After an additional two weeks in culture, a monolayer of fibroblasts emerge. The monolayer is trypsinized and scaled into larger flasks.

pMV-7 (Kirschmeier, P.T. et al, DNA, 7:219-25 (1988) flanked by the long terminal repeats of the Moloney murine sarcoma virus, is digested with EcoRI and HindIII and subsequently treated with calf intestinal phosphatase. The linear vector is fractionated on agarose gel and purified, using glass beads.

The cDNA encoding a polypeptide of the present invention is amplified using PCR primers which correspond to the 5' and 3' end sequences respectively. The 5' primer contains an EcoRI site and the 3' primer includes a HindIII site. Equal quantities of the Moloney murine sarcoma virus linear backbone and the amplified EcoRI and HindIII fragment are added together, in the presence of T4 DNA ligase. The resulting mixture is maintained under conditions appropriate for ligation of the two fragments. The ligation mixture is used to transform bacteria HB101, which are then plated onto agar-containing kanamycin for the purpose of confirming that the vector had the gene of interest properly inserted.

The amphotropic pA317 or GP+am12 packaging cells are grown in tissue culture to confluent density in Dulbecco's Modified Eagles Medium (DMEM) with 10% calf serum (CS), penicillin and streptomycin. The MSV vector containing the gene is then added to the media and the packaging cells are transduced with the vector. The packaging cells now produce infectious viral particles containing the gene (the packaging cells are now referred to as producer cells).

Fresh media is added to the transduced producer cells, and subsequently, the media is harvested from a 10 cm plate of confluent producer cells. The spent media, containing the infectious viral particles, is filtered through a millipore filter to remove detached producer cells and this media is

then used to infect fibroblast cells. Media is removed from a sub-confluent plate of fibroblasts and quickly replaced with the media from the producer cells. This media is removed and replaced with fresh media. If the titer of virus is high, then virtually all fibroblasts will be infected and no selection is required. If the titer is very low, then it is necessary to use a retroviral vector that has a selectable marker, such as neo or his.

The engineered fibroblasts are then injected into the host, either alone or after having been grown to confluence on cytodex 3 microcarrier beads. The fibroblasts now produce the protein product.

Numerous modifications and variations of the present invention are possible in light of the above teachings and, therefore, within the scope of the appended claims, the invention may be practiced otherwise than as particularly described.

SEQUENCE LISTING

(1) GENERAL INFORMATION:

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(B) COMPUTER: IBM PS/2

(C) OPERATING SYSTEM: MS-DOS

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:1:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS

- (A) LENGTH: 636 BASE PAIRS
- (B) TYPE: NUCLEIC ACID
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: SINGLE
- (D) TOPOLOGY: LINEAR

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:1:

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AATGGCCAAA GGCCTGCCAA GAATTCAGAA CCAGAGGAGG TCATCCCATC CCGGCTGGAT 120
ATCCGTGTGG GGAAAATCAT CACTGTGGAG AAGCACCCAG ATGCAGACAG CCTGTATGTA 180
GAGAAGATTG ACGTGGGGGA AGCTGAACCA CGGACTGTGG TGAGCGGCCT GGTACAGTTC 240
GTGCCCCAAGG AGGAACTGCA GGACAGGCTG GTAGTGGTGC TGTGCAACCT GAAACCCAG 300
AAGATGAGAG GAGTCGAGTC CCAAGGCATG CTTCTGTGTG CTTCTATAGA AGGGATAAAC 360
CGCCAGGTTG AACCTCTGGA CCCTCCGGCA GGCTCTGCTC CTGGTGAGCA CGTGTTTGTG 420
AAGGGCTATG AAAAGGGCCA ACCAGATGAG GAGCTCAAGC CCAAGAAGAA AGTCTTCGAG 480
AAGTTGCAGG CTGACTTCAA AATTTCTGAG GAGTGCATCG CACAGTGGAA GCAAACCAAC 540
TTCATGACCA AGCTGGGCTC CATTTCTGT AAATCGCTGA AAGGGGGGAA CATTAGCTAG 600
CCAGCCCAGC ATCTTCCCCC CTTCTTCCAC CACTGA 636

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:2:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS

(A) LENGTH: 168 AMINO ACIDS

(B) TYPE: AMINO ACID

(C) STRANDEDNESS:

(D) TOPOLOGY: LINEAR

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: PROTEIN

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:2:

Glu Glu Val Ile Pro Ser Arg Leu Asp Ile Arg Val Gly Lys Ile
5 10 15
Ile Thr Val Glu Lys His Pro Asp Ala Asp Ser Leu Tyr Val Glu
20 25 30
Lys Ile Asp Val Gly Glu Ala Glu Pro Arg Thr Val Val Ser Gly
35 40 45
Leu Val Gln Phe Val Pro Lys Glu Glu Leu Gln Asp Arg Leu Val
50 55 60
Val Val Leu Cys Asn Leu Lys Pro Gln Lys Met Arg Gly Val Glu
65 70 75
Ser Gln Gly Met Leu Leu Cys Ala Ser Ile Glu Gly Ile Asn Arg
80 85 90
Gln Val Glu Pro Leu Asp Pro Pro Ala Gly Ser Ala Pro Gly Glu
95 100 105
His Val Phe Val Lys Gly Tyr Glu Lys Gly Gln Pro Asp Glu Glu
110 115 120
Leu Lys Pro Lys Lys Lys Val Phe Glu Lys Leu Gln Ala Asp Phe
125 130 135
Lys Ile Ser Glu Glu Cys Ile Ala Gln Trp Lys Gln Thr Asn Phe
140 145 150
Met Thr Lys Leu Gly Ser Ile Ser Cys Lys Ser Leu Lys Gly Gly
155 160 165
Asn Ile Ser

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An isolated polynucleotide comprising a member selected from the group consisting of:
 - (a) a polynucleotide encoding the polypeptide comprising amino acid 1 to amino acid 168 as set forth in SEQ ID NO:2;
 - (b) a polynucleotide which encodes a mature polypeptide having the amino acid sequence expressed by the DNA contained in ATCC Deposit No. _____;
 - (c) a polynucleotide capable of hybridizing to and which is at least 70% identical to the polynucleotide of (a) or (b); and
 - (d) a polynucleotide fragment of the polynucleotide of (a), (b) or (c).
2. The polynucleotide of claim 1 which encodes a mature polypeptide having the amino acid sequence expressed by the DNA contained in the EMAP III deposited clone.
3. The polynucleotide of Claim 1 wherein the polynucleotide is DNA.
4. The polynucleotide of Claim 2 which encodes the polypeptide comprising amino acid 1 to 168 of SEQ ID NO:2.
5. The polynucleotide of claim 1 comprising the sequence as set forth in SEQ ID No. 1 from nucleotide 1 to nucleotide 636.
6. The polynucleotide of claim 1 comprising the sequence as set forth in SEQ ID No. 1 from nucleotide 94 to nucleotide 636.
7. The polynucleotide of claim 1 comprising the sequence as set forth in SEQ ID No. 1 from nucleotide 94 to nucleotide 600.

8. A vector containing the DNA of Claim 2.

9. A host cell genetically engineered with the vector of Claim 8.

10. A process for producing a polypeptide comprising: expressing from the host cell of Claim 9 the polypeptide encoded by said DNA.

11. A process for producing cells capable of expressing a polypeptide comprising genetically engineering cells with the vector of Claim 8.

12. A polypeptide comprising a member selected from the group consisting of (i) a polypeptide having the deduced amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2 and fragments, analogs and derivatives thereof; and (ii) a polypeptide encoded by the cDNA of ATCC Deposit No. _____ and fragments, analogs and derivatives of said polypeptide.

13. The polypeptide of Claim 12 wherein the polypeptide comprises amino acid 1 to amino acid 168 of SEQ ID NO:2.

14. A compound which activates the receptor of the polypeptide of claim 12.

15. An antibody against the polypeptide of claim 12.

16. A method for the treatment of a patient having need of EMAP III comprising: administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of the polypeptide of claim 12.

17. The method of Claim 16 wherein said therapeutically effective amount of the polypeptide is administered by

providing to the patient DNA encoding said polypeptide and expressing said polypeptide *in vivo*.

18. A process for diagnosing a disease or a susceptibility to a disease related to an under-expression of the polypeptide of claim 12 comprising:

determining a mutation in a nucleic acid sequence encoding said polypeptide.

19. A diagnostic process comprising:

analyzing for the presence of the polypeptide of claim 12 in a sample derived from a host.

20. A method for identifying compounds which bind to and activate the receptor of the polypeptide of claim 12 comprising:

contacting a cell expressing on the surface thereof a receptor for the polypeptide, said receptor being associated with a second component capable of providing a detectable signal in response to the binding of a compound to said receptor, with an analytically detectable compound under conditions to permit binding to the receptor; and

determining whether the compound binds to and activates the receptor by detecting the presence of the signal.

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EMAP III Active Domain

1 TACCCCTGCCCTGAAAAAACTGGCCAGCGCTGCCTACCCAGATCCCTCAAAGCAGAAGCC

61 AATGGCCAAAGGCCTGCCAAGAATTCAGAACCAGAGGAGGTCATCCCATCCCGGCTGGAT
1 E E V I P S R L D

121 ATCCGTGTGGGGAAAATCATCACTGTGGAGAAGCACCCAGATGCAGACAGCCTGTATGTA
10 I R V G K I I T V E K H P D A D S L Y V

181 GAGAAGATTGACGTGGGGGAAGCTGAACCACGGACTGTGGTGAGCGGCCTGGTACAGTTC
30 E K I D V G E A E P R T V V S G L V Q F

241 GTGCCCAAGGAGGAACTGCAGGACAGGCTGGTAGTGGTGCTGTGCAACCTGAAACCCAG
50 V P K E E L Q D R L V V V L C N L K P Q

301 AAGATGAGAGGAGTCGAGTCCCAAGGCATGCTTCTGTGTGCTTCTATAGAAGGGATAAAC
70 K M R G V E S Q G M L L C A S I E G I N

361 CGCCAGGTTGAACCTCTGGACCCTCCGGCAGGCTCTGCTCCTGGTGAGCACGTGTTTGTG
90 R Q V E P L D P P A G S A P G E H V F V

421 AAGGGCTATGAAAAGGGCCAACCAGATGAGGAGCTCAAGCCCAAGAAGAAAGTCTTCGAG
110 K G Y E K G Q P D E E L K P K K K V F E

481 AAGTTGCAGGCTGAC¹TTCAAATTTCTGAGGAGTGCATCGCACAGTGGAAGCAAACCAAC
130 K L Q A D F K I S E E C I A Q W K Q T N

541 TTCATGACCAAGCTGGGCTCCATTTCTGTAAATCGCTGAAAGGGGGGAACATTAGCTAG
150 F M T K L G S I S C K S L K G G N I S •

601 CCAGCCCAGCATCTTCCCCCTTCTTCCACCACTGA 636

Figure 1.

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Homology Comparison of EMAPIII vs. EMAPII

130 KGEKKEKKQQSIAGSADSKPIDVSRDLRIGCIITARKHPDADSLYVEEV 179
 32 EEVIPSRLDIRVGKIITVEKHPDADSLYVEKI 63
 180 DVGEIAPRTVVSGLVNHVPLEQMQNRMVILLCNLKPAMRGVLSQAMVMC 229
 64 DVGEAEPRTVVSGLVQFVPKEELQDRLVVVLCNLKPQKMRGVESQGMLLC 113
 230 ASSPE... KIEILAPPNGSVRGDRITFADF. PGEPDKELNPKKKIWEQIQ 275
 114 ASIEGINRQVEPLDPPAGSAPGEHV FVKGYEKGQPDEELPKKKVFEKLO 163
 276 PDLHTNDEC VATYKGV PFEVKGKVCRAQTMSNSGIK* 313
 164 ADFKISEECIAQWKQTNFMTKLGSIS. CKSLKGGNIS* 200

Figure 2

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DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I declare that I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

ENDOTHELIAL-MONOCYTE ACTIVATING POLYPEPTIDE III

the specification of which [] is attached hereto or [X] was filed on JUNE 7, 1995 as Application Serial No. 08/483,534 and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed. Prior Foreign Application(s):

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_____ (Number)	_____ (Country)	_____ (Day/Month/Year Filed)	Yes	No

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FIG. 1A

1 TACCCCTGCCCTGAAAACTGGCCAGCGCTGCCTACCCAGATCCCTCAAAGCAGAAGCC

61 AATGGCCAAAGGCCTGCCAAGAATTCAGAACAGAGGAGGTCA¹CCCATCCCGGCTGGAT
E E V I P S R L D

121 ATCCGTGTGGGAAATCATCACTGTGGAGAAGCACCCAGATGCAGACAGCCTGTATGTA
10 I R V G K I I T V E K H P D A D S L Y V

181 GAGAAGATTGACGTGGGGGAAGCTGAACACGGACTGTGGTGAGCGGCCCTGGTACAGTTC
30 E K I D V G E A E P R T V V S G L V Q F

241 GTGCCCCAAGGAGGAACCTGCAGGACAGGCTGGTAGTGGTGTGCAACCTGAAACCCAG
50 V P K E E L Q D R L V V V L C N L K P Q

301 AAGATGAGAGGAGTCGAGTCCCAAGGCATGCTTCTGTGTGCTTCTATAGAAGGGATAAAC
70 K M R G V E S Q G M L L C A S I E G I N

361 CGCCAGGTTGAACCTCTGGACCCTCCGGCAGGCTCTGCTCCTGGTGAGCACGTGTTGTG
90 R Q V E P L D P P A G S A P G E H V F V

FIG. 1B

421	AAGGCTATGAAAGGGCCAACCAGATGAGGAGCTCAAGCCCAAGAAGATCTTCGAG
110	K G Y E K G Q P D E E L K P K K K V F E
481	AAGTTGCAGGCTGACTTCAAAATTICTGAGGAGTGCATCGCACAGTGGAAAGCAAAACCAAC
130	K L Q A D F K I S E E C I A Q W K Q T N
541	TTCATGACCAAGCTGGGCTCCATTTCCTGTAAATCGCTGAAAGGGGGAACATTAGCTAG
150	F M T K L G S I S C K S L K G G N I S .
601	CCAGCCCAGCATCTTCCCCCTTCTCCACCACTGA 636

FIG. 2

130 KGEKKEKKQQSIAGSADSKPIDVSRDLRIGCIITARKHPDADSLYVEEV 179
 32EEVIPSRLDIRVGKIITVEKHPDADSLYVEKI 63
 180 DVGEIAPRTVVSGLVNHVPLEQMQRNVIILCNLKPACMRGVLQAMVMC 229
 64 DVGEAEPRTVVSGLVQFVPKEELQDRLVVVLCNLKPKMRGVESQGMLLC 113
 230 ASSPE...KIEILAPPNGSVPGDRITFDAP.PGEPDKELNPKKKIWEQIQ 275
 114 ASIEGINRQVEPLDPPAGSAPGEHVFKGYEKGQPDDEELKPKKKVFEKLQ 163
 276 PDLHTNDECVAITYKGVPFVKGKGVCRATMSNSGIK* 313
 164 ADFKISEECIAQWKQTNFMTKLGSIK.CKSLKGGNIS* 200